

Rotary



Club of Prince George County

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

Club Meeting

Prince George County Meets at The club has regular hybrid meetings on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday at Luca Italian Restaurant. Zoom link can be requested at pgrotary23875@gmail.com. 6411 Courthouse Rd Prince George, VA 23875 Time: Wednesday at 07:30 AM



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Interact Shines

Interact Club Shines at Prince George High School's Club & Activities Fair
By: Sasha Reynolds
September 13, 2023

Prince George High School's Club & Activities Fair is always a thrilling event, but this year on September 6th & 7th, there was something extra special that caught everyone's attention - the Interact Club booth! The buzz surrounding the Interact Club's presence at the fair was electric, and the enthusiasm of its members was positively infectious.

During two events over the course of three exciting days, students had the opportunity to explore various clubs and organizations on campus, all vying for their attention. Amidst the sea of booths and banners, the Interact Club stood out as a beacon of service and leadership. They weren't just there to recruit; they were there to inspire, educate, and make a lasting impact.

At the heart of the Interact Club's success at the club day fair was a dynamic group of student leaders who had made it their mission to ignite student interest and rally the masses. Let's meet the team of Officers and members from last school year who are helping to make this year a success:

The President, Corika: She is a force to be reckoned with. Her charisma and passion for service are contagious. Corika role was pivotal in setting the tone for the club and generating enthusiasm among prospective members.

The Vice President, Anthony: His dedication and passion for community service were evident as he engaged with fellow students, sharing the club's mission and vision. All while serving in different roles for the event.

The Treasurer, Phoebe: Phoebe had a way of making financial matters seem exciting. He understood that students were drawn to tangible benefits, and he effectively conveyed how Interact could provide opportunities for personal growth, scholarships, and leadership development. She brought lots of interested students that signed up.

The Secretary, Annalise: Annalise's attention to detail was second to none. She crafted the club's message and her experiences by communicating its mission and benefits for many prospective members.

The Athlete, Brooke: Brooke is a member with a passion for service. As an athlete, she brought a unique perspective and is a shining example of how sports and community service can go hand in hand for interested student-athletes.

The Supporter, Maddox, with his warm smile and calm demeanor, is a shining example of supportive member. His presence spoke volumes about his commitment to service, emphasizing the power of youth-driven change and the profound impact it has on the community.

The Helping Hands of Mr. Ford and Rotary Club of Prince George County.

Behind the scenes, the Interact Club had the unwavering support of their School Interact Club advisor, Mr. Antoine Ford, and five dedicated Rotarians Sasha Reynolds, William Johnson, Steve Woith, Lili Quintana and Reggie Reynolds of, the sponsoring Rotary Club, The Rotary Club of Prince George County. Their presence provided a sense of continuity and mentorship that underscored the importance of the club's mission.

As the School Interact Club Advisor, Mr. Ford's commitment to nurturing young leaders was evident as he encouraged students to step outside their comfort zones and embrace the power of service.

Sasha, William, Steve, Lili and Reggie – all seasoned Rotarians with a passion for community service, served as living examples of the positive change that can be achieved through organizations like Interact. They shared their journeys and encouraged students to be proactive in making a difference.

Over 150 Student Prospects Sign Up - An Overwhelming Success!

The response from Prince George High School students was nothing short of phenomenal. Over 150 students signed up to express their interest in joining the Interact Club, a testament to the compelling message and the passion of its members.

With smiles on their faces, students eagerly provided their contact information and listened intently to the



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Interact club's purpose, mission, and benefits. It was clear that the desire to make a positive impact was alive and well in the hearts of Prince George High School students.

The Journey Begins!

As the dust settles on this year's Club & Activities Fair, there's an undeniable sense of excitement in the air. The Interact Club's first meeting will be in mid-September. It promises to be an eventful kickoff, as the club's new members embark on a journey of service, leadership, and international understanding.

With a club of enthusiastic, ambitious, selfless, ready to serve Interactors, a supportive school faculty and the sponsorship of the Rotary Club of Prince George County, the Interact Club of Prince George High School is poised to achieve great things, both locally and globally. Thank you for your support. Stay tuned for updates on their incredible journey as they strive to make the world a better place, one act of service at a time. Have questions about the Interact Club? Contact us at pgrotary23875@gmail.com



Past Interact VP Anthony (lower left), Rotarian William Johnson (left behind table) and Rotarian Sasha Reynolds tell interested students about the Interact Club (not pictured Mr. Antoine Ford (Interact Club School Advisor), and Interactors Brooke, Phoebe, Annalise, Maddox, and Corika)
Photo by: Brooke Reynolds

Photo by: Lili Quintana

Rotarians William Johnson, Sasha Reynolds and Steve Woith answer student's questions about the Interact Club



Talking to students about the Club's members volunteering at the local animal shelter and James House donations projects.
Photo by: Lili Quintana



Events/Speakers

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Birthdays

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Wedding Anniversaries

Shel M. Douglas
September 16th
Mable C Farris
September 30th

Club Member Anniversaries

No Years Of Service Found

Rotary Club of Prince George County volunteers (left to right) William Johnson, Sasha Reynolds (Rotary Club Interact Advisor), Steve Woith and Lili Quintana. (Reggie Reynolds not pictured.)
Photo by: Brooke Reynolds



Library Offers Online Financial Literacy Resources

By Brian K. Manning on Wednesday, September 6, 2023



The Appomattox Regional Library offers online financial literacy tool. The Appomattox Regional Library now offers online financial literacy help with its new FinancialFit. Designed by industry experts to promote financial literacy, FinancialFit is a collection of personal finance lessons to guide learners in making life's biggest financial decisions. FinancialFit features easy-to-identify content categories. The content is personalized to each user's

interests and assumes no prior financial knowledge. The resource does not require a library card and can be accessed at [Get Yourself in Financial Shape \(financialfit.com\)](http://financialfit.com). Registering is free and patrons set their own login names and passwords.

The online application includes more than 160 easy to understand microlessons that can be completed in under five minutes each. Lessons are interactive and videos with worksheets, checklists and learning games. The resource even offers a glossary of 700 common financial terms. Progress is saved and FinancialFit can be revisited anytime to review or to move on to the next lesson.

Some topics included are - Assessing Financial Needs, Building Credit, Buying/Renting a Home, Getting a Car, Managing Credit Cards, Managing Debt and Family Finances, Monthly Budgeting, Student Loans and Paying for Higher Education, Planning for Emergencies, and Understanding Taxes.

Club Service Projects Updates

Updates on current and future service projects:



Meals on Wheels, the ongoing club volunteer project, is going smoothly thanks to our generous and committed members. We currently have 10 members participating but others are welcome if they want to give it a try. I'm working on the October schedule, so please let me know if you have any particular requests for scheduling. The remaining assignments for September are as follows:

9/14 - Carol and Cynthia
9/21 - Donald and Steve
9/28 - Donna and Lillian

We have been contacted by Bernard Walker at Prince George Social Services regarding participation in the annual sponsorship of a family in need of assistance during the Christmas season. We have done this for the past three years, relying on direct donations from club members, not using club funds. We need to have feedback from the membership about whether we will continue to adopt a family. Please comment to me or Cynthia so that we can let Social Services know. They are calling it Christmas Father this year.

Also, District 7600 is inviting clubs to volunteer for bell ringing for the Salvation Army again this December. This is always a fun, positive volunteer assignment and we expect to participate again. There will be a date range to choose from so I will pass that along when it is available.

Pass along any community volunteer hours if you haven't already done so. Thanks for all you do!

Southside Program for Adult Continuing Education

Kathy Anderson, Director, and Joyce Jones, Instructional Specialist, introduced the club to the wide range of free educational services their program, SPACE, to Southside Virginia. SPACE is the acronym for the Southside

Program for Adult Continuing Education. This organization has served adults, 18 years and older, in the Crater Region since 1989. Their territory covers Colonial Heights, Dendron, Dinwiddie County, Emporia, Gregg-Adams, Greensville County, Hopewell, Petersburg, Prince George, Surry County, Sussex County, Wakefield, and Waverly.



Joyce seated to the left near the Rotary banner is a retired principal and has taught, supervised, or administered at all educational age levels, including early childhood education through teaching at the college level. She is a Regional Instructional Specialist with SPACE. Being the wife of a now retired military husband, here professional experience has been achieved in many countries and states.

Kathy has a Master's Degree in Education and has over 30 years experience in adult education. She is the Regional Program Manager for SPACE. She also has a Rotary connection in that her grandfather and parents were Rotarians in District 7610, just north of our district.

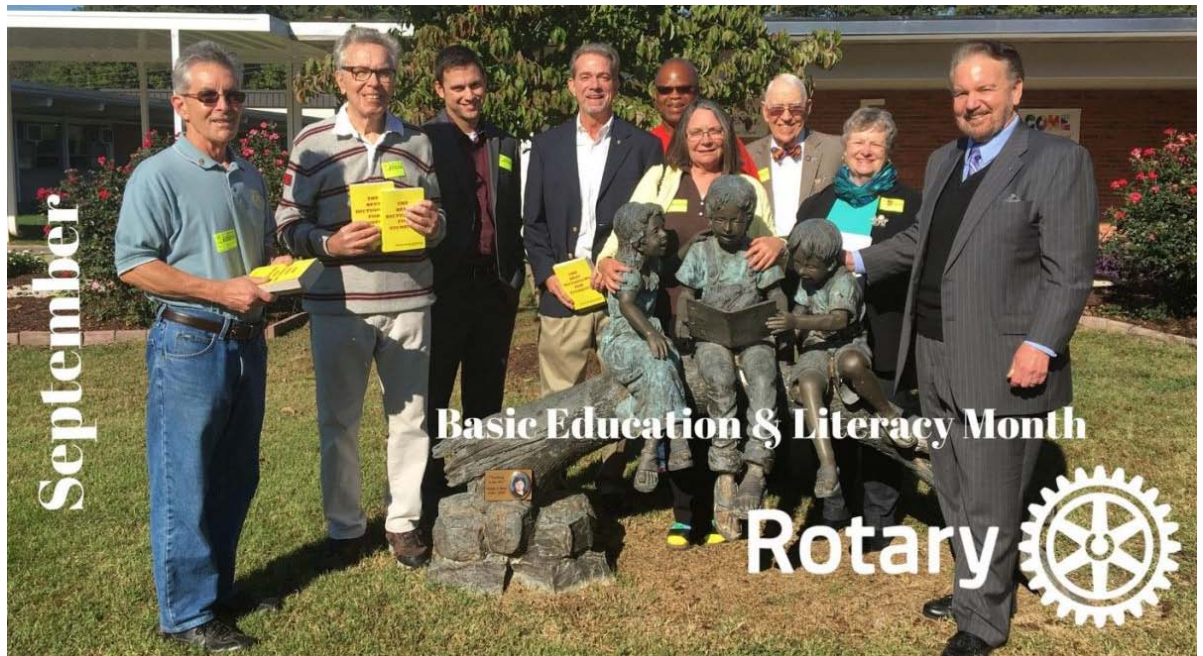
The services provided by SPACE include GED classes and testing, academic skills in reading, math, and language, English speaking, reading and writing skills, computer skills such as word processing, email, and internet usage, workforce readiness, job preparation, career exploration, and not least, college preparation with focus on writing, math and language skills. Most importantly these classes and services are provided locally and are all totally free.

Kathy and Joyce advised the club that per the 2021 Census the entire Crater region had 19,757 adults without high school diplomas. A goal of the program, funded mostly by the US Department of Education, is that it serve at least 3% of the identified individuals needing such services. In the 2022-2023 year, SPACE served 500 individuals. With a boost to their budget, in the 2023-2024 year SPACE's goal is to serve 600 individuals.

To learn more about [SPACE](#) please click on this [link](#) or give SPACE a call at 804-733-2670.

September - Rotary Basic Education & Literacy Month

By Carol Dois Woodward on Monday, September 4, 2023



Rotary Monthly Themes

By Carol Dois Woodward on Monday, August 7, 2023

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July	Transition Month
August	Membership & Extension
September	Basic Education & Literacy
October	Economic & Community Development
November	The Rotary Foundation
December	Disease Prevention & Treatment
January	Vocational Service
February	Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution
March	Water & Sanitation
April	Maternal & Child Health
May	Youth Services
June	Rotary Fellowships



The Four Way Test

By Carol Dois Woodward on Monday, June 8, 2020

Rotary  **4 Way Test**
of the things we think, say, or do:

Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?
